

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This Amendment is accompanied by a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and a Petition for Extension of Time (three-months).

Claims 1-19 were present for examination. Claims 1-2, 6, 8, 10 and 15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102 as anticipated by Ames et al. [US 2002/0002443]. The Ames et al. publication is also the primary reference in the 35 U.S.C. §103 rejections of the remaining claims.

The independent claims 1, 10 and 16 have all been amended to stress the use of a wireless two-way communication and that the wireless link is a private link as opposed to a link provided by the telephone system such as a cellular phone link. The significance of the difference is discussed in the present application at page 2, lines 6-13.

Ames et al. does not teach or suggest such a private wireless communication link nor does Ames et al. In combination with other known references. Accordingly, applicant asserts that claims 1-19 are allowable.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17 during its entire pendency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1135. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1135.

Respectfully requested,

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